1	2	3	4
1994	60	17	820
1995	97	13	1031
1996	89	24	1341
1997	36	05	971
1998	102	12	889
1999	96	08	873
2000	56	10	847
2001	116	43	996
2002	139	63	1008
2003	110	32	795
2004	92	32	707

National Identity Cards

*25. SHRI DHARAM PAL SABHARWAL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are planning to commence a National Identity Card project or a Smart Card project in the country;

(b) if so, what will be the various technical parameters or components of the project;

(c) whether proposed project is being pursued or has been planned for pursuance, and if so, how Government are planning to take the process forward; and

(d) whether Government are negotiating with any group, consortium or company to implement the project and if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) to (c) The Government propose to issue National Identity Cards to the citizens of the country. Keeping in view the complexities involved, a Pilot Project has been under implementation since November, 2003 in selected sub-districts of 13 States and Union

Territories. The Pilot Project has the following chief components:

(i) Base-line survey for enumeration of population in the project area.

(ii) Integration of photographs and finger biometrics with the personal data of persons above the age of 15 years.

(iii) Verification and determination of citizenship status.

(iv) Preparation of a National Register of Citizens.

(v) Issuance of National Identity Cards.

(vi) Updation of the National Register of Citizens by registering the births and deaths etc.

The Pilot Project is expected to be completed in a few months. The scheme for the entire country would be implemented after taking into account the experiences and the lessons learnt from the Pilot Project.

(d) No, Sir.

Training Institutes in Textile Production skills

*26. SHRI R.P. GOENKA: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether a fresh review has been made to assess the demand for additional personnel trained in textile manufacturing skills, consequents to dismatling of the textile quota regime, raising expectations of doubling the exports in a couple of years;

(b) if so, the results thereof;

(c) whether it is a fact that adequate number of institutes are not available to provide comprehensive training in textile production skills, especially fabrication of garments; and

(d) if so, the steps being taken on encourage setting up of additional training institutes in different States to meet the growing demand of the textile industry?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI SHANKERSINH VAGHELA): (a)